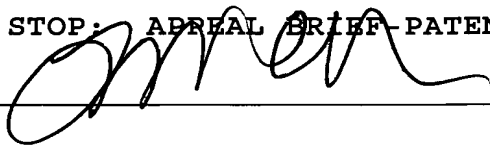


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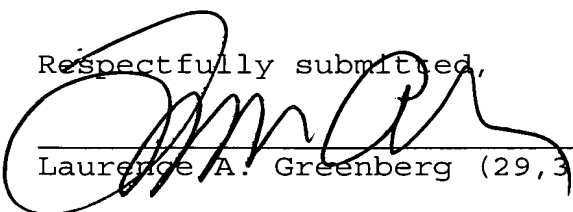
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S i r :

In reference to the appeal filed in the above-identified application, a Brief and Examiner's Answer having been filed, appellants herewith withdraw the appeal and in lieu thereof have elected to further prosecute the application by filing an RCE together with a preliminary amendment which are submitted contemporaneously herewith.

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